



FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF DIGITAL MEDIA

The Honorable Ajit Pai
The Honorable Michael O'Rielly, Commissioner
The Honorable Brendan Carr, Commissioner
The Honorable Jessica Rosenworcel, Commissioner
Federal Communications Commission

December 13, 2018

RE: MB Docket No 05-311 In the Matter of Implementation of Section 621(a)(1) of the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984 as Amended by the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992

Dear Chairperson and Commissioners:

On behalf of Ferris State University (FSU), which operates the PEG channel in Big Rapids, Michigan, I am writing to express opposition to the proposed rule that would allow for in-kind services to count against franchise fees.

While costs associated with content creation and staffing of the channel operation are incurred by FSU, the operation of the PEG channel relies on a level of equipment funding to keep our channel operational.

The content we provide to the community includes talk shows on important topics, including communication from the public-school system, topics around diversity, and information about important events and initiatives within the community. We hope those funds won't be decreased in any way, and we ask that the Second Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making not be adopted.

Thank you for your consideration.

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